

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-43. (Cancelled)

44. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe comprising:

lining ~~said the~~ pipe with a structural layer for providing structural integrity; and

lining ~~said the~~ pipe with a containment layer for providing fluid ~~impermeability~~;
impermeability by arranging at least one section of sheet lining material concentrically within the structural layer to form a tubular lining, and seaming the tubular lining to render it substantially impermeable, and

bonding the containment layer to at least a portion of an internal surface of the structural layer;

wherein, lining ~~said the~~ pipe with ~~said the~~ structural layer ~~comprises includes~~ introducing at least ~~one strip~~ two strips to ~~said the~~ pipe, and arranging ~~the at least one strip~~ each of the at least two strips in ~~said the~~ pipe to form a substantially continuous lining within ~~said the~~ pipe and

~~wherein lining said pipe with a structural layer comprises~~ by arranging ~~the at least one~~ ~~said a first~~ strip of structural lining material by helically winding the ~~at least one~~ first strip in ~~said the~~ pipe in a first helical direction to form a plurality of turns, each turn of the first strip being in substantial helical contact with a previous turn of the first strip, thereby forming a first substantially continuous tubular structural layer within ~~said the~~ pipe, and by arranging a second strip of structural lining material by helically winding the second strip in the pipe in a second helical direction that is opposite the first helical direction to form a plurality of turns, each turn of the second strip being in substantial helical contact with a

previous turn of the second strip, thereby forming a second substantially continuous tubular structural layer within the pipe.

45. (Canceled)

46. (Canceled)

47. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe as claimed in claim 44, ~~wherein the~~ further comprising providing a further containment layer ~~is provided~~ concentrically outside the structural layer.

48. (Canceled)

49. (Canceled)

50. (Canceled)

51. (Canceled)

52. (Canceled)

53. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe as claimed in claim 44, wherein the containment layer is a first containment layer, and the method further ~~comprises~~ includes lining the pipe with a ~~further~~ second containment layer by arranging at least one further section of lining material to form a tubular lining and seaming ~~said the~~ tubular lining to render it substantially impermeable.

54. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe as claimed in claim 53, wherein ~~the or~~ at least one structural layer is provided between the first and ~~further~~ second containment layers.

55. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe as claimed in claim 44, wherein the method ~~further~~ comprises lining the pipe with at least three containment layers and at least ~~two~~ the first and second structural layers, the containment layers being separated from one another by a corresponding one of the at least first and second structural ~~layers~~ layer.

56. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe as claimed in claim 44, wherein the method further comprises:

providing a test structure for testing the fluid impermeability of ~~said~~ the containment layer of a composite lining ~~said~~ the structure comprising:

a seam provided along a longitudinal length of ~~said~~ the containment layer, the seam comprising at least two substantially parallel seamed ~~regions;~~ regions, and
~~and~~ a conduit formed between ~~said~~ the seamed regions.

57. (Currently Amended) A method of lining a pipe as claimed in claim 56, wherein the method further comprises:

testing the fluid impermeability of ~~said~~ the containment layer by pressurising ~~said~~ the conduit with a fluid; and

determining if ~~said~~ the fluid is leaking from either of ~~said~~ the at least two substantially parallel seamed regions.

58. (Withdrawn) A composite lining for a pipe produced by the method according to claim 44, comprising:

at least one structural layer for providing structural integrity, the structural layer comprising at least one strip of structural lining material arranged to form a substantially continuous lining within said pipe; and

at least one containment layer for providing fluid impermeability.

59. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 58, wherein the containment layer comprises at least one section of lining material arranged to form a substantially continuous impermeable tubular lining within said pipe.

60. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 58, wherein the containment layer is provided concentrically within the structural layer the containment layer being bonded to at least a portion of an internal surface of the structural layer.

61. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 58, wherein the containment layer is provided concentrically outside the structural layer.

62. **(Withdrawn)** A composite layer as claimed in any of claims 58, wherein the structural layer comprises the or each strip helically wound to form a plurality of turns, each turn being in substantial helical contact with the previous turn thereby forming a substantially continuous tubular lining within said pipe.

63. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 58, wherein the structural layer is a first structural layer, and the composite lining is provided with a further structural layer, the further layer comprising at least one strip of lining material arranged to form a substantially continuous lining within said pipe.

64. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 63, wherein the further structural layer comprises at least one further strip helically wound to form a plurality of turns, each turn being in substantial helical contact with the previous turn thereby forming a substantially continuous tubular lining within said pipe.

65. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 63, wherein the first structural layer is provided concentrically within the further structural layer.

66. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 63, wherein:

the first structural layer comprises the or each corresponding strip helically wound in a first helical direction to form a substantially continuous tubular lining within said pipe; and

the further structural layer comprises the or each further strip helically wound in a second helical direction to form a substantially continuous tubular lining within said pipe;

and wherein, the first and second helical directions are opposite.

67. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 58, wherein the containment layer is a first containment layer, and the composite lining is provided with a further containment layer, the further containment layer comprising at least one section of lining material arranged to form a substantially impermeable tubular lining within said pipe.

68. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 67, wherein the or at least one structural layer is provided between the first and further containment layers.

69. **(Withdrawn)** A composite lining as claimed in claim 58, comprising at least three containment layers and at least two structural layers, the containment layers being separated from one another by a corresponding structural layer.

70. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for providing a loosely twisted helical strip of lining material for lining a pipe, the apparatus comprising:

a base portion; and

coil support means rotatably mounted on said base portion for supporting a coil of said lining material and for allowing a strip of said lining material to be dispensed from said coil;

the coil support means being rotatable in a controlled manner relative to said base portion for inducing helical twists in said strip of lining material.

71. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus as claimed in claim 70, wherein:

said coil support means is configured to dispense said strip from a centremost end of said coil, thereby allowing a strip with a naturally induced helical twist to be dispensed;

said naturally induced twist being additional to any rotation induced twist.

72. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus as claimed in claim 70, wherein:

said coil support means is provided with a strip dispensing portion comprising an aperture for dispensing said strip through;

said strip dispensing platform being rotatable independent of said coil support means relative to said base portion.

73. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus as claimed in claim 70, wherein:

said coil support means is rotatably mounted on said base portion for rotation about the axial centre of said coil.

74. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus as claimed in any of claims claim 70, wherein:

said coil support means is rotatably mounted on said base portion for rotation about an axis substantially perpendicular to the axial centre of said coil.

75. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for helically lining a pipe with a strip of lining material, the apparatus comprising:

a winding rig comprising helical winding means;

said helical winding means being configured for helically winding said strip into a helically wound lining layer for lining an inside surface either of said pipe or of a previously laid lining layer.

76. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for helically lining a pipe as claimed in claim 75, wherein

said winding means is configured for helically winding said strip directly onto said inside surface;

and said winding rig is configured for longitudinal travel along said pipe as each turn of said helically wound lining layer is formed on said inside surface.

77. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for helically lining a pipe as claimed in claim 75, wherein

said winding means is configured for helically winding said strip directly onto said inside surface;

and said winding rig is configured for free rotation about a longitudinal axis of said pipe as each turn of said helically wound lining layer is formed on said inside surface.

78. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for helically lining a pipe as claimed in claims 75, wherein

said winding means is configured for winding said lining strip into a helically wound portion layer, and for driving said helically wound tubular portion along said pipe thereby to form said helically wound lining layer on said inside surface.

79. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for helically lining a pipe as claimed in claims 75, wherein said winding means comprises:

a cylinder rotatably mountable on an end of said pipe for winding said lining strip onto an internal surface thereof thereby to form said helically wound portion;

and a helical guide mounted on said internal cylinder surface for driving said helically wound portion along said pipe thereby to form said helically wound lining layer on said inside surface either of said pipe or of a previously laid lining layer.

80. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus for lining a pipe with a tubular containment layer comprising:

a formation portion comprising at least one rounding die for forming a sheet of lining material into a substantially cylindrical tubular structure.

81. **(Withdrawn)** An apparatus as claimed in claim 80, wherein the formation portion further comprises:

at least one formation die for forming a sheet of lining material into a flattened tubular structure;

the rounding die being located for forming said flattened tubular structure into said substantially cylindrical tubular structure.

82. **(Withdrawn)** A welding apparatus for seam welding a containment layer in a pipe, the apparatus comprising:

a mobile unit configured for longitudinal travel down said pipe;

said mobile unit comprising at least one seam welding head for welding a seam of said containment layer.

83. **(Withdrawn)** A welding apparatus as claimed in claim 82, wherein the mobile unit further comprises at least one further welding head for welding said containment layer to an underlying structural layer.

84. **(Withdrawn)** A welding apparatus as claimed in claim 82, wherein the or each welding head comprises an infra-red source for inducing heat thereby to cause said welding.

85. **(Withdrawn)** A welding apparatus as claimed in claim 82, wherein the or each welding head comprises an ultrasound source for inducing heat thereby to cause said welding.

86. **(Withdrawn)** A welding apparatus as claimed in claim 82, wherein the or each seam welding head includes a pressurising fan for applying air pressure to said seam during welding.

87. **(Withdrawn)** A welding apparatus as claimed in claim 82, wherein the or each seam welding head comprises a shield portion for preventing a longitudinal portion of said seam from being welded, thereby to form a fluid impermeable conduit.